

Today, Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY) and I introduced bipartisan legislation today calling on the Government of Bangladesh to drop sedition charges pending against journalist Salah Uddin Shoaib Choudhury. The Bangladeshi Government must cease its persecution of Shoaib Choudhury. For his message of moderation and interfaith dialogue between Muslims and Jews, he is facing unjust criminal charges in an effort to silence him. The United States Congress must send a clear message: we cannot allow an outspoken advocate for religious freedom to be silenced. Under Bangladeshi law, sedition is a crime punishable by death.

Read a recent article about the case here:

<http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0,20867,20758306-32522,00.html>